

**LEGISLATIVE DIGEST
OF THE
RUTHERFORD COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Thursday, December 15, 2011**

- A. Mr. Chairman, Ernest Burgess, called the regular session of the Rutherford County Board of Commissioners to order at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, December 15, 2011, in the Courtroom of the Rutherford County Courthouse in Murfreesboro, Tennessee.
- B. Commissioner Brad Turner led the invocation.
- C. Commissioner Adam Coggin led the pledge to our flag.
- D. Twenty (20) commissioners of the Rutherford County Board of Commissioners were present for the opening of the Legislative Meeting.
- E. The November 17, 2011, Legislative Meeting Minutes were adopted.

F. PUBLIC COMMENTS

-*Donald Todd* of Buck Lane believes property rights have been taken away by Metro's un-elected Planning Commissions.

-*Kathy Hines, Egon Grisham, and Brooke Wyant* all spoke in support of efforts to make the sale of synthetic drugs a felony. They all encouraged the Commission to adopt the resolution which asks the state legislature to make the change.

-*Dewey Woody*, Chief of Emergency Operations for Bradley County, thanked the emergency workers of Rutherford County for their volunteerism and rescue efforts following the deadly storm of April, 2011, that ripped through their county. Commissioner Gary Farley, a retired firefighter, introduced Chief Woody and accepted the tokens of appreciation.

G. ELECTIONS & CONFIRMATIONS

- 1. The Notary applicants were approved.
- 2. The reappointment of William Waite to the Consolidated Utility District was confirmed.
- 3. An Audit Committee vacancy was announced.
- 4. A Conservation Board vacancy was announced.
- 5. Brandon Whitt, Francille Whitworth, and Commissioners Will Jordan and Robert Peay were appointed to fill vacancies on the Agricultural Committee.

H. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

I. PUBLIC HEARINGS – 6:30 P.M.

- 1. Conditional Use Permit Request 11-A007 – Donald Baker's request to rezone his property at 813 Rock Springs - Midland Road was denied. Mr. Baker had asked that his property be reclassified from Residential-15 to Services.

J. REPORTS BY STANDING COMMITTEES

1. PURCHASING COMMITTEE REPORT

- A. Report was approved

2. BUDGET, FINANCE & INVESTMENT COMMITTEE

- A. General Fund budget amendments were approved.
- B. A resolution to amend the DEA Special Purpose Fund was approved.
- C. A resolution to remove "Option 1" of the Employee Insurance Plan from the 2013 Benefit Election was approved.
- D. A resolution to eliminate the "co-pay" for Generic Preventative Medication was approved. The change will take effect January 1, 2012.
- E. The annual "Contract in Lieu of Performance Bond" for the county landfill was amended.
- F. Additional funding for repair of the brick veneer at the County Sheriff's Department was authorized.
- G. A resolution allowing for the implementation of Federal Tax Compliance Policies and Procedures was approved.
- H. The Issuance of General Obligation Bonds Not to Exceed Twenty-One Million Dollars (\$21,000,000) was authorized.
- I. The 2012-2013 Budget Calendar was approved.

3. HEALTH & EDUCATION COMMITTEE

- A. No Report

4. PROPERTY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

- A. No Report

5. PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

- A. No Report

6. PUBLIC WORKS & PLANNING COMMITTEE

- A. Drainage Easement requests for 5222 and 5228 Old Nashville Highway were approved.
- B. The Road Book was approved.

7. STEERING, LEGISLATIVE & GOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE

- A. A resolution to adopt the Inter-Agency Agreement with La Vergne, Murfreesboro, Smyrna and Rutherford County Emergency Communications District for the Enterprise License with Esri for GIS Software was approved.
- B. A resolution to ask the county's state legislative delegation to make the sale of "Synthetic Drugs" a felony and forward the same to surrounding counties and urge their support was approved. The resolution was amended to include that all state counties would receive the ratified resolution.
- C. A resolution to approve initiation of "Electronic Committee Agenda Processing" was approved.
- D. A resolution that defines School Board District Zones was approved.
- E. A resolution that defines Road Board District Zones was approved.
- F. A resolution to Amend Private Act of 1951, Chapter 55, in regard to the Road Board and the School Board was approved.

8. ANY OTHER BUSINESS
None Reported

There being no further business, Mr. Chairman, Ernest Burgess, adjourned the Rutherford County Board of Commissioners Legislative Meeting. Time of adjournment was 7:28 pm.

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Lisa Duke Crowell, Rutherford County Clerk

Rick Spence, Legislative Secretary

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